Coaching Strategy

All players whether they are participating as beginners or at world championship level must be catered for by providing sound and experienced coaching.

Effective Coach Development:

There are many generic good quality coaching courses run by several organizations. However it is recognised that Inline hockey requires specific skills and to be an effective coach it is desirable that skating ability is a pre-requisite.

Due to the nature of the sport and its initial development in the Northern Hemisphere, any development and educational material must be sourced from outside New Zealand.

Investigation of methods to coach coach's show that the best value gained is from the New Zealand "head" coach to attend coaching clinics in the USA / Canada and / or Europe and to observe the game in progress at the "elite" level.

The Association has also been extremely fortunate in gaining approval from Northern Hemisphere Associations' to adapt and reproduce materials they have developed to Coach the Coaches.

The Association shall equip and train coaches and officials in the rules of the game, and coaching and mentoring skills in an effort to promote an overall positive inline hockey experience.

Effective Player Development:

The Association shall actively promote and stress fundamental skill development and emphasize a specific mastery of skills at each respective level of play taking account of the physical, emotional, behavioural and cognitive abilities of each individual.

Development of "high performance" coaching programme is seen as integral to New Zealand's ability to be able to compete internationally.

Good sportsmanship and healthy attitudes on all aspects:

The Association shall strive to promote good sportsmanship, a positive philosophy, respect, and healthy attitudes for all aspects of the game and the operations and programs of the Association,

Every players experience should be a positive one, where respect for each other and the opposition, good sportsmanship and fair play is actively promoted and encouraged.

Coaches have a responsibility for the health and safety of players by providing a safe environment, ensuring all players are aware of and use, as a minimum, the protective equipment specified in the playing rules and providing information on nutrition and hydration.

Coaching Committee Mandate

The Association recognizes that in order to achieve and implement the Coaching Strategy the formation of a subcommittee is necessary as it requires particular knowledge of and experience in coaching the sport of Inline Hockey.

The role of this subcommittee is to

- Work co-operatively with the NZIHA Executive Committee and all regional committees to enhance the level of Coaching within New Zealand
- Serve as an active liaison between all NZIHA inline hockey coaches and the NZIHA Executive
- Make recommendations to the NZIHA Executive on coaching Policy & Programming
- Provide advice to the NZIHA and to co-operate with them in the solution of any problems
- Encourage the coach community to support coach training and development at all levels
- Develop and implement effective Coaching Development initiatives for Coaches and Players
- Make recommendations to the NZIHA Executive Committee on appointments of personnel to Selector and Coach positions on National teams

Members of the subcommittee must be approved by the NZIHA Executive and be current NZIHA members. Membership shall be determined by

- Each of the 4 regions electing, appointing or nominating up to 2 representatives to be a member of the Coaches Committee
- The Coaches Committee having the "Power to Add", allowing them to seek out additional members for task based applications/projects
- That the Coaches Committee elect or appoint its own Chairperson and Secretary
- The Officers of the Coaching Committee must be approved by the NZIHA Executive and be current NZIHA members
- The Committee shall meet a minimum of 2 times throughout the year at the discretion of the Chairperson. Copies of the minutes must be submitted to the NZIHA Secretary

OBJECTIVES	DESIRED OUTCOMES
Research, design and implement unique coach training initiatives as part of up skilling current and future coaches	Development of knowledge base so there is an increased technical knowledge to NSO coaching programmes A nationwide, consistent approach to coaching
Develop test, implement, monitor and evaluate training, education and development programs for inline Hockey Coaches and Players	A Coaching credentials matrix and programme is implemented that covers grass roots programme to high performance programmes
To design, implement and manage a coach mentoring initiative	New coaches are mentored by experienced coaches
Conduct Coaching courses throughout New Zealand	Clubs and Coaches are able to provided relevant club training programmes for inline hockey players Increased player skill level

Relevant club training programmes developed by inline hockey coaches	Increase awareness of the physical, emotional, behavioural and cognitive abilities of each individual Improved international results Increased player skill level individual skills and development needs of participants are catered for within the team program Players have a knowledge of the health and safety aspects of the game, such as the use of protective equipment, player welfare and hydration Team spirit, cohesion, cooperation and support between the players is developed Players are acquainted with the roles of other positions and players. Team as well as individual goals are established and individuals take pride in their accomplishments. Individuals are recognised for their special contributions.
To design a high performance coaching program Research, on an on-going basis, the viability of appointing Assistant Coaches to National Teams	Improved international results Make appropriate recommendations to NZIHA Executive based on findings